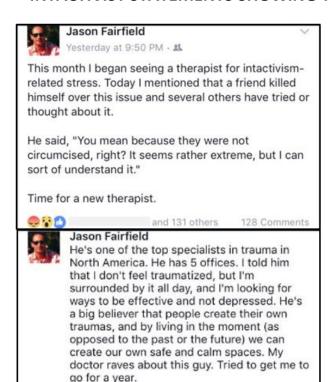
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Vee Savage

Every counselor I have heard of, has told my mgm victim friends that they are either depressed, OCD or some other diagnosis, that once under control, will stop their obsession about being circumcised, because it's just an abnormal obsession.

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Rosemary Romberg

July 7 · 🚱

I hope that this can be the last statement I will need to make on this whole vegan/animal rights issue:

An issue as convoluted and emotional as veganism can be exhausting and draining. I have been studying and working to end genital cutting for 40 years now, but there have been times when I have felt that I have figuratively bled to death over the whole matter. For roughly a decade during the 90's people rarely heard from me on this because I had become so frustrated, exhausted and heartbroken over the fact that people were still torturing their babies after all I had done that I had an emotional breakdown over it. I had to turn my focus to other, unrelated matters and almost forget that I had written my book. I was only able to gradually allow myself back in because of Marilyn's insistent

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Rosemary Romberg

April 18 · 🕙

Here's a bit of early intactivism history: When my original book was still being put together back in the 80's I went through a series of five different potential publishers who seriously considered taking on my book but eventually dropped it (before it was finally published by Bergin & Garvey.) At one point I became so enraged when a certain promising publisher decided not to publish my book that I ended up putting my hand through a window! (This resulted in just a few scratches on my hand, and my having to spend money to replace the window.) Of course the rejection was not the window's fault, but that is what we do when we are extremely angry and out of control. As intactivists it is important to learn to control our rage so that it is not misdirected, but we all fall down sometimes. - R.R.



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Hi Everyone

Haven't been able to post anything for a week now because my therapist asked me to not do any intactavism because she speculated that my intactavism might be aiding to my nightmares and flashbacks. I didn't agree with her but I did as she asked. I think she is understanding little by little of what I go through.

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Confession: Reading the stories from regret mothers triggers my anxiety and anger more than just about anything but being forced to watch a circumcision video with the sound turned up.

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Colby Denson ▶ Intactivists STOP Circumcision

October 4 at 7:58am · III

Has anyone had to take a break from intactivism? I've been so completely depressed the last few weeks because I just feel like I haven't made a difference; especially when I see such ignorance from cutters on Facebook. I have nightmares of babies being tortured and it just truly sickens me to my core. Not sure what I need to do at this point.

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Penny Mitchem

I frequently deactivate my FB so I don't have to see it. I deal with anxiety and depression and with a 6 month old to keep happy, I have to limit myself.

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Dan Lewellen

Yep I can only go a week or two at a time usually before I get so pissed off I have to look away for a month.

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Jeanine Comstock ► Intactivists STOP Circumcision

October 16 at 8:48pm - Edited - III

I am struggling lately with intactivisting er whatever it would be called. I am finding myself so depressed being on social media. It's getting to me and even logging in gives me anxiety lately. I feel like it's just constant bad news.

I know my voice is needed as is everyone's but I feel so overwhelmed. I just want this illegal. I hate having to view people close to me as horrible people because they didn't listen to my warnings and information.

It's making me a Debbie downer. (2)

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Man threatens to kill mum in text message because he was circumcised

'You brought me into this world and I'm going to take you out of it'

By Adrian Troughton

05:00, 8 JUN 2018 UPDATED 15:54, 8 JUN 2018

A man threatened to kill his mother because he had been circumcised as a young child.

The 30-year-old had been left traumatised by the operation and wanted to know why his parents had agreed to him undergoing the procedure at the age of five, Leicester Magistrates' Court heard.

He sent more than 100 messages to his mother between December 25 and January 5 – some of which were explicit and threatening.

Prosecutor Kwok Wan told <u>Leicester</u>

<u>Magistrates' Court</u>: "He sent text messages and left voicemails.

"In one of the messages he threatens to kill his mother by slitting her throat."

Mr Wan said one of the threatening messages the defendant sent said: "I'm going to kill the both of you. You are not going to see it coming.

"You brought me into this world and I'm going to take you out of it.

Mr Wan said that the man went to his mother's house in Leicestershire at 10.30am on New Year's Eve and threw paint all over the front of the house and on the path.

He sent a message that day to his mother's mobile phone which said: "I will slit your throats where you stand. Happy New Year."

Kim Lee, defending, said only a handful of the messages his client sent had been threatening.

He said: "These were a cry for help. He was saying to his parents: 'Why did you do this to me? Do you love me?'

"He is trying to find out what happened in the past so many years ago.

What is body dysmorphia?



Body dysmorphic disorder (BDD), occasionally still called dysmorphophobia, is a mental disorder.

It is characterised by the obsessive idea that some aspect of one's own body part or appearance is severely flawed and warrants exceptional measures to hide or fix their dysmorphic part on their person. "He suffers from body dysmorphia and has other mental health issues.

"He sees a psychologist every week and has now been referred to a dermatologist.

"There was no intent to cause harm to his parents. He said he still loves his parents."

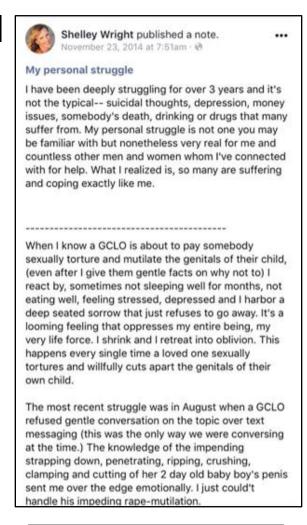
The man, who lives in Leicestershire, had denied aggravated harassment against his mother but was found guilty after a trial.

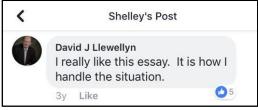
He had pleaded guilty to criminal damage in relation to the paint at his mother's house.

Chairman of the bench Mitchell Donnelly said: "These messages were over a relatively short period but there are threats to kill.

"The threats are credible and serious and frightening."

He gave the defendant an eight-week prison sentence suspended for a year.

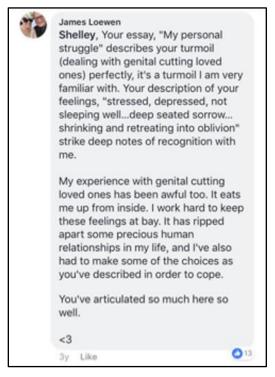












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